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BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 90-42-S - ORDER NO. 90-439

APRIL 12, 1990

IN RE: Application of WildeWood Utilities,
Inc. for Expansion of Sewer Service) ORDER WITHDRAWING
to include Sewer Service for Certain) INTERVENTION,
Portions of Richland and Kershaw) DENYING REQUEST FOR
Counties.) WAIVER OF HEARING,
) AND SETTING HEARING

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) by way of an Application filed January 5, 1990, on behalf of WildeWood Utilities, Inc. (the Company or WildeWood) seeking approval of an extension of its sewer service area to include the property encompassed in the northeastern portion of Richland County and the southeastern portion of Kershaw County, South Carolina. The Company filed a plat with the Commission depicting the requested service area. WildeWood requested that the rates and charges currently in effect for its presently approved service area be approved for sewer service within the proposed extension. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann., §58-5-240 (Cum. Supp. 1989) and R.103-821 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

The matter was duly noticed and a Petition to Intervene was filed on behalf of Kershaw County. Subsequently, Kershaw County

filed a letter with the Commission indicating it desired to withdraw its Petition to Intervene in this matter. The Commission has considered the request of the County and finds that it should be granted. Additionally, Steven W. Hamm, the Consumer Advocate for South Carolina (the Consumer Advocate) indicated that it wished to withdraw its participation in the instant matter. The Commission finds that such should be approved.

After the withdrawal of intervention and participation of
Kershaw County and the Consumer Advocate, respectively, the Company
requested a wavier of a hearing in this matter and that the
Commission grant WildeWood's Application for expansion of its sewer
service based upon the documentation submitted to the Commission.

The Commission has considered the request of WildeWood to waive the public hearing in this matter and finds that the request should be denied. The Commission is aware that in Docket No.

90-125-S, the Valhalla Company, a sewer utility in Richland County, has filed an application requesting an extension of its sewer service area, and it appears that portions of the area sought by Valhalla overlap with portions of the area sought by WildeWood.

The Commission considers it to be in the public interest that a hearing be held on the WildeWood Application, as well as the Valhalla Application to determine the appropriate provider of sewer service in the requested areas. Therefore, the Commission finds that a public hearing should be held in the instant matter on

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Thursday, July 12, 1990, at 10:30 A.M. in the Commission's Hearing Room, 111 Doctors Circle, Columbia, South Carolina.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman II. Mason

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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